ALUMNAE NEWS LETTER

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Alumnae News and Views from Everywhere

ALUMNAE BUSINESS AFFAIRS

The first of the year is a good time to take stock of ourselves and our Association, and decide whether we are achieving as much as we should with the resources available to us, as Alumnae of the School of Nursing of the Presbyterian Hospital. Some excerpts from Miss Landt's annual report to First District are therefore included in this first 1940 issue of the News Letter.

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Membership in the Alumnae Association:

Active	345
Associate	62
Non-Resident	215
Honorary	7
Total, 12-1-39	629

(As the number of graduates from the School is about 1550, our Alumnae membership represents about 40%.)

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Ten regular meetings were held during the year, with an equal number of Board of Directors meetings. By alternating its meetings between afternoon and evening, the Association hopes to reach all its members, whether they are on day or night duty. The first Tuesday of each month is the Association's regular meeting day.

On Armistice Day the Alumnae Association sponsored a dinner and dance at the Medinah Club as a part of a very pleasant Homecoming program which started at noon of that day with a buffet luncheon and later, an afternoon tea given by the School at Sprague Home. A home-talent floor-show, presented by graduates of the School and internes at the Hospital, was one of the outstanding features at the dinner. Many graduates and friends of the School returned for Homecoming, to greet our new Director and indulge in reminiscences with old friends and sister Alumnae.

The Helena McMillan Educational Fund has grown to such a degree that plans are now being developed by a special committee for the control and use of this Fund.

The Sick Benefit and Loan Fund has increased considerably, but not many demands have been made on this Fund for the past year or so ($4,410.20 on hand).

Through the generosity of one of our very loyal members who has much more of this world's material goods than she herself can use, it has been possible to contribute an additional two hundred dollars to our School library, and an additional three hundred dollars to the Weeks of Free Care Fund for the Naperville Cottage.

The Mary Byrne Memorial Fund for our endowed Hospital room continues to grow annually, but has been given quite a lift by a one thousand dollar contribution from the same generous member mentioned above. A charter member of this Association also has made a liberal contribution to this Fund during the current year.

The Private Duty Section of the Alumnae has been very active during the past year, and has accomplished a great deal toward the growth of its Fund for Special Nursing Care for Sick Members.

REGULAR ALUMNAE MEETINGS

DECEMBER: At the December meeting, the following officers were named as elected:

First Vice-Pres. (Resigned) Florence Coon '27
Cor. Sec. ..... Carrie B. McNeill '19
Rec. Sec. ..... Madelon Reeves '38
Board of Directors 1940 to 1942 { Millie Brown '09, Ella Van Horn '21, Gladys Heikens '30

The following members are chairmen of these committees: Gertrude McCord '30, Scholarship; Ruth Schmidt '34, Sick Benefit and Loan

Fund; Mary Dunlap '23, Helena McMillan Educational Fund; Dorothy Fisher '30, Membership; Ella Van Horn '21, Finance; Marcella Kurtz '27, Social and Program; Elphia Flugum '26, Custodial Committee of the Mary Byrne Fund.

It was announced that the amount in the McMillan Fund to date was $4,490.25. The committee appointed to present recommendations for the control and use of the Fund is Mary Dunlap, '23; Mrs. L. C. Gatewood '13; Carrie B. McNeill '19.

The Alumnae Scholarship for 1939 was awarded to Gertrude McCord, who is at present taking work at the University of Chicago.

Due to the great increase in the amount of Alumnae correspondence, it was voted to purchase an Addressograph for the use of the Association.

JANUARY: It was suggested that the evening meetings of the Association be devoted to social and educational interests, and that the alternate meetings be devoted to business matters.

Marcella Kurtz, Chairman of the Social Committee, announced the following members of her committee: Margaret Burke '38; Adella Remus '36; and Dorothea Ellicker '24.

It was announced that Eula Butzerin '14 had been appointed as the Alumnae representative on the new Advisory Council for the School of Nursing, which Miss Rogers has just formed.

Elphia Flugum gave a report of the status of the Mary Byrne Fund. It was voted that an extension of time to July 1, 1940, be made, to permit Alumnae who have made part payment, to complete their payments. It was also voted that the President and the Custodial Committee meet with the Hospital administration to confer on the status of the Fund and the financial responsibility of the Alumnae Association in regard to it, and to form an agreement as to the future conduct of the Fund, this to be made in the form of a legal contract. At present, any deficit in the Fund is signed over to charity by Mr. Bacon.

Report of Mary Byrne Fund, as of January 1, 1940:

Cash on hand, January 1, 1939	$ 522.48
Transferred to Hospital account, 2-27-39	940.00
Cash on hand, 2-28-39	8.48
Transferred to Hospital account, 8-3-39	800.00
Cash on hand, 8-3-39	19.75
Received from 8-39 to 1-1-40	5,237.50
Total amount received since 1-1-39	6,293.50
Total Fund	$33,985.31
Total days allowed for use of room	170
Cash allowance ($8.00 per day)	$1,360.00
Total number days room was used in 1939	309
Total cost for use of room ($8.00 per day)	$2,952.00
Number of days used in excess of days allowed	199
Amount of money used in excess of cash allowance	$1,592.00
Number of active members of Mary Byrne Fund:	
Paid $ 50.00	169
Paid 100.00	142
	311

The Alumnae Association is very appreciative of the generosity of the Hospital administration in connection with the use of this Fund.

FEBRUARY: At the meeting to be held at Sprague Home on February 6, at 7:30 P.M., Dr. R. H. Scull, of the Central Free Dispensary, will speak on "Contact Dermatitis and Fungus Infections of the Skin." It is hoped that there will be a large attendance.

SCHOOL OF NURSING NEWS

Because of lack of space in Sprague Home, no spring class of students will be admitted this year. Considerable reorganization of the class work and schedules is being carried out in preparation for the new fall class.

Miss Rogers has formed a School Advisory Council, to confer with her on matters which pertain to the direction of the School. The members are: Mr. John McKinlay, Mr. Asa Bacon, Mr. John P. Welling, Mrs. Clyde Shorey, Dr. L. C. Gatewood, Dr. A. H. Parmalee, and Miss Eula Butzerin.

BUDGET FOR 1940

The 1940 budget, formulated and approved by the Finance Committee and the Board of Directors, and submitted to the Association, is as follows:

Printing and Postage	$ 175.00
News Letter	140.00
Refreshments, regular meetings	20.00
Open Meeting	50.00
Annual Luncheon	150.00
Flowers	35.00
Magazines, School Library	50.00
Allowance to Corresponding Secretary	75.00
Allowance to Treasurer	75.00
Allowance to News Letter Editor	50.00
Dues for 5 officers ($4.50 each)	22.50
Scholarships	150.00
Treasurer's Bond	6.25
State Convention Delegates	25.00
National Convention Delegates	250.00
Central Council Memberships	25.00
Central Council Delegates	1.50
To send 10 students to Private Duty Nurses' Institute	10.00
Audit of Treasurer's Account	25.00
Safe Deposit Box	5.50
Weeks of Free Care Fund	200.00
Filing of Annual Report	1.00
Christmas Party	10.00
Sinking Fund (10% of income from dues)	180.00
Total	$1,731.75

SPRAGUE HOME NEWS

Sprague Home is blossoming out in spring finery, perhaps a bit early, but very welcome. The furniture in the large class room has been newly upholstered, and is very attractive. There are new drapes and Venetian blinds in the School office and in Miss Aylward's office on first floor.

Two welcome additions to remind us of School history are the photographs of Miss McMillan and Miss Russell, which have been placed in the School office. These pictures, taken in 1921, bring back happy memories to older graduates, and are of great interest to younger graduates and students.

Miss Aylward's annual Christmas party for neighborhood children took place on December 22, with much gaiety. A buffet supper was served on Christmas Eve and on New Year's Eve. A tea for the graduate staff was given by Miss Rogers on December 27. Open House was held from 7-9 P.M. on New Year's Day.

MISS RUSSELL IN FLORIDA

Miss Russell and her sister Miss Rosamond are spending the winter in Florida. Their address is: Town House Apartments, 209 S. E. Second Avenue, Ft. Lauderdale. Just when Miss Russell left the cold and snow of the north, the weather man was most inconsiderate to send the south the coldest weather in its history.

MAY L. RUSSELL LOAN FUND

Through the years, as Dean of the School, Miss Russell had built up a little revolving loan fund, for emergency loans to student nurses. This has many times been a source of comfort to the student who was faced with some unexpected expense, and has always been repaid promptly. On learning that the Class of 1931 and the Fall Class of 1933 still had some money on hand, left over from their Senior gifts to the School, the members of these classes who could be reached voted to contribute this balance to the student loan fund, and to call it the May L. Russell Student Loan Fund. It now amounts to $75.00, and is administered at present by Miss Rogers and Miss Van Horn.

ALUMNAE ACTIVITIES

1911

The August, 1939, copy of the Virginia Department of Health Bulletin contained a very interesting article in regard to the work of Ida Twedton at the Konnarock Training School, in organizing and supervising community Health Centers, both at Konnarock and at Green Cove. In these isolated communities, with the nearest doctor 20 miles away, great strides have been made, since 1930, in educating the people in health matters, and providing service and information which was sorely needed. Incidentally, Miss Twedton and her sister, Hilda Twedton Wiley, were the first pair of sisters to graduate from Presbyterian.

1921

Clarisse Galloway is now on first hour duty in the Nurses' Office.

1927

Dr. and Mrs. Charles F. Deatherage (Bunnetta Baker) and their young son David are in Boston this year, where Dr. Deatherage is studying at Harvard University for his Master's degree in Public Health, while on a leave of absence from his position as chief of the Division of Dental Health Education, Illinois State Department of Health.

1933

Esther Salzman, formerly an instructor and supervisor at Presbyterian, and Health Nurse at Wheaton College for the past two years, is leaving February 9 for China, for the mission field.

1935

Dorothy Voltz is returning to the School on February 5th, to be assistant supervisor in the Operating Room, succeeding Dorothy Schafer Byler.

1937

Rosemary Thompson is now Chief Anesthetist at St. John's Hospital, Fargo, North Dakota, and writes that she enjoys her work very much.

1938

Helen Currier has been appointed Head Nurse on B Upper.

Dorothy Yates has returned to her duties as Head Nurse on 3rd Lower, after a leave of absence.

Ruth Alderson has been assistant on Student Health Service at the School since October.

Helen Stidd Kellogg is at present employed at Franklin Hospital, in San Francisco, and writes that she is much enthused over that part of the country. Her address is 69 Divisadero Street.

1939

Carrie Belle Burgess Whiteside and her husband, formerly assistant pastor at 3rd Presbyterian Church, left January 15, for Klawock, Alaska, for the mission field. They will be in charge of a group of widely scattered churches in this area, for a period of 5 years.

MARRIAGES

Hila Richards '38 to Dr. James D. Stratton on October 14, at 3rd Presbyterian Church, Chicago. At home, 1100 Broadview Boulevard, Brackenridge, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Stratton was formerly assistant on Student Health Service at the School.

Anna Christensen '38 to Mr. Eric Lentzen on December 23, at 4th Presbyterian Church, Chicago. At home, 2814 S. Wisconsin, Berwyn. Mrs. Lentzen is on first hours on B Upper.

Florence Mall '31 to Mr. John P. Christie on November 8, at Albuquerque, New Mexico. At home, Avenal, California.

Delphia Shaw '39 to Mr. I. M. Haynes on November 18. At home, Marion, Indiana.

Mary Elizabeth Rikli '34 to Mr. Richard J. Dickerson on November 14, at Chicago. At home, 21 N. West Street, Galesburg, Illinois.

Esther Armstrong '27 to Mr. Lester Banuat on September 20, at Toulon. At home, Bradford, Illinois.

Alice Marek '39 to Mr. James G. Brown on November 18, at Congress Park, Illinois.

Dorothy Schafer '29 to Mr. Glen Byler on October 7, at Aledo. Mrs. Byler has been assistant supervisor in the Operating Room, but is leaving February 1, and will be at home in Davenport, Iowa.

Nora Stauffer '39 to Mr. G. R. Hollinger. At home, 233 Hedgewood Lane, Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

Mary Lou Allison '39 to Mr. Theodore Benson on October 18. At home in Dallas, Texas, where Mr. Benson will continue his theological studies.

Margaret King '39 to Dr. William Mumler on December 30, 1939.

Irmgard Mahler '37 to Mr. E. E. Ailts on January 5. At home, 324 N. Summit Avenue, Decatur, Illinois.

BIRTHS

Mary Kennell to Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Eisele (Blanche Kennell '31) on October 3 at Chicago Lying-In.

Jane Elizabeth to Dr. and Mrs. Willard De Young (Virginia Hoskins '32) on November 13, at Presbyterian.

James Allen to Mr. and Mrs. Karl Schrode (Viola Evans '37) on December 6, at Boulder, Colorado.

A daughter to Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Ingebrigtson (Violet Getty '30) on January 22, in Moorhead, Minnesota.

SYMPATHY

The sincere sympathy of the Alumnae Association is extended to Dorothy Voltz '35, in the recent loss of her mother.

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ALUMNAE MEETINGS

JUNE—The June meeting, on June 4, will be a picnic at Arden Shore. A chartered bus will leave Sprague Home at 4 P.M. Round trip bus fare and picnic supper will be $1.00. Supper to those providing their own transportation will be 35c. Make your reservations early by calling Seeley 5153 and leaving your name.

MAY—Discussion of the Mary M. Byrne Memorial Fund took place, and the following recommendation of the Alumnae Board of Directors was read by Miss Landt:

At a special meeting of the Board of Directors held at Sprague Home on April 24, the following action was taken in regard to the use of the private room at Presbyterian Hospital which is maintained by the income from the Mary M. Byrne Endowment Fund. This is the Fund to which all members are expected to pay twenty dollars per year for five years if they wish to be eligible for the use of this room during illness when hospitalization becomes necessary:

The Board of Directors recommends that the total number of days for which each member in good standing is entitled to the use of this room be reduced to 21 days in any one year.

This action has been deemed necessary and advisable by the Board because of the fact that the earning power of this Endowment Fund has decreased to such a degree that it is no longer adequate to cover the demands made upon this room under the former rules set up for its use. Each year there has been a deficit of from $1900.00 to $2100.00, which the Hospital Board of Managers has been kind enough to charge off to other funds, but the fact remains that this Alumnae Association consistently has had an overdraft against this Fund. It lies within the province of the Hospital Board of Managers to request the payment of this debt in any year within which such a debt is incurred because of an occupancy of this room which is in excess of the number of days to which the membership is entitled. The interest on this Fund governs the number of days for which the Mary M. Byrne Room may be used each year, and the interest rate is subject to general economic conditions of the country.

The following figures have been compiled from a study of the use of this room over the past five years:

	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939
Total No. using the room not to exceed 21 days	12	17	17	18	23
Total No. using the room over 21 and less than 28 days	3	3	1	3	3
Total No. using the room over 28 days in a year	3	3	1	3	2
Total No. who have used the room during past 5 years	18	23	19	24	28

During 1939, five members would have found it necessary, on the basis of 21 days per year, to pay for 73 days' use of this room, distributed as follows:

One member used room 25 days
One member used room 24 days
One member used room 28 days
One member used room 49 days
7 days in excess of present allowance
One member used room 52 days
10 days in excess of present allowance

Five members used room 178 days

Both nurses who used the room in ex-

cess of our present allowance of 42 days per member per year paid for this excess number of days use.

These figures reveal the fact that very few of the Mary M. Byrne Memorial Fund members have used the room in excess of 21 days in any one year in this five year study, and that the elimination of these excess days would materially reduce our annual overdraft.

At the January meeting of our Association, it was moved, seconded, and carried that the money now on deposit at the bank under the Mary M. Byrne Memorial Fund of the Alumnae Association not be turned over to the Hospital until a written agreement has been drawn up between the Hospital and the Association which will set forth the conditions governing the use of this Fund, and guarantee the ownership of this Fund to this Association, together with the income therefrom. The body of such an agreement has been drawn up by the Hospital management, and awaits the approval of our Association.

The amount of the present Endowment Fund, it appears, has become a part of the Presbyterian Hospital's General Fund and cannot be separated therefrom. The proposed agreement states that this sum of money, known as the Mary M. Byrne Memorial Fund, owned by this Association, but in permanent possession of the Hospital, is on deposit at the Hospital.

Although this agreement does not use these exact words, it implies an interpretation comparable to the above statement. It further states that the income from this Fund—never to exceed 5% of the principal—is to be used for the Hospital care of members of this Association who are appointed from time to time by said Association, up to an amount equal to the income for the respective year upon the aggregate principal amount.

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Action upon the Board of Director's recommendation will be taken at the Alumnae Association's September meeting. All members are urged to give this matter serious consideration, and be prepared to submit constructive recommendations either prior to or at the time of this meeting.

APRIL—At the regular meeting, the Association voted to buy a permanent file for the use of the Association, the file to be kept in the Alumnae room at Sprague Home, to preserve the valuable records of the Association. Delegates to the Biennial Convention at Philadelphia were appointed, and it was voted to send a student representative as well. After the business meeting, the group heard a talk and saw movies presented by Dr. I. C. Sherman on the subject of "Treatment of Mental Diseases and its Social Implications."

CHARGE FOR TRANSCRIPTS

The Nurses' Office takes this means of announcing that beginning this spring, and now in effect, a charge of $1.00 will be made for each transcript of grades requested after the first one has been furnished. This is in line with the custom followed in other schools and in colleges. The fee will be payable at the time the transcript is requested.

MISS RUSELL RETURNS TO CITY

Miss Russell gave us all a pleasant surprise by dropping in to the School to visit us on her return from Florida on May 17. Miss Russell and her sister have taken an apartment and will remain in the city for some time.

NEW FACULTY MEMBER

Mrs. Helen N. Geer, a 1934 graduate of the School of Nursing of Massachusetts General Hospital, joined our School of Nursing staff on February 1, as Assistant Nursing Arts instructor. We are all glad to welcome Mrs. Geer as a valuable addition to the staff.

STUDENT-FACULTY GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

The students of the School of Nursing have worked out a plan for a Student-Faculty Government Association, which is getting under way successfully. Miss Rogers, Mrs. McNeill, and Miss Den Herder are the faculty representatives. Miss Marjorie McFerren, '41, is president. The Association is sponsoring a Silver Tea every Thursday at Sprague Home, to fill their treasury, and a cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

NOTE FROM STUDENT DELEGATE

Helen Shannon '40 was chosen as our student delegate to the Biennial in Philadelphia, and made the trip east and back with Miss Landt and the

student delegates from Cook County School of Nursing. We are in receipt of this little note for the News Letter which gives some indication of what the experience meant to our student: Dear Alumnae: I certainly considered it a great privilege and opportunity to attend the Biennial Convention. Besides the challenge and inspiration of enlightening meetings and distinguished nursing leaders, there were interesting exhibits, delicious dinners, and new friendships to be enjoyed. Delightful sight-seeing tours were also thrilling. At our general student meeting and banquet, there were 590 of us students. At the meeting, we were honored by having the presidents of the three national Nursing organizations speak to us. Miss Mary Roberts also gave us greeting. This honor of going to the Convention as your student delegate was a rich experience, I assure you!

Sincerely,
Helen Shannon

ALUMNAE ACTIVITIES

1910

Alice M. Morse, formerly Director of Nurses at Eastern Maine State Hospital, Bangor, Maine, began her new duties as Director of Nursing Service at Children's Memorial Hospital, Chicago, on April 1.

Alma Foerster, in charge of Out-Patient clinics at Children's Memorial Hospital for the past year, has resigned, and is taking a short rest.

1921

The many friends of Edith M. Potts will be happy to hear that her health has been restored to the point where she is now able to resume part time duty in her experimental and research work.

1927

Helen McCuish Oltman writes from China that there has been more destruction of property than loss of life during all the hostilities there, but that the war, increasing the price of rice, has brought much hardship to the people. She mentions that Jeanette Veldman '29 and Harriet Boot '37 are both at the same mission station as she is.

Florence McConnell resigned her position at Central Free Dispensary to begin her duties with the Infant Welfare Association in March.

1928

Magerie Hance Sharber writes from Sacramento, California, that she has changed her profession to that of housewife now that she is married. Her address in 2611 Land Park Drive.

Leona Diehl resigned her position in the Nurses' Office early this spring to undertake some research work in infant feeding for Dr. Sanford.

1929

Edna Hermann has returned to her duties as head nurse on 4th Upper after a leave of absence due to illness this spring.

1931

The spring class of 1931 held a reunion early this spring at the home of Assunda Berardi Prehler in Oak Park. Others present were: Mary Hamilton Fincke of Philadelphia, Florence Michael Draa, Ruth Smith, Ada Slack, Ellen Louise McCumber, and Mary Watson. The same group met again later with Josephine Kenyon Conant in Niles Center.

Helen Christensen has been night supervisor at Children's Memorial Hospital, Chicago, since the first of the year.

Evelyn McKelvey has returned from her mission work in India on furlough.

1932

Marjorie Keil Muhleman writes that she is enjoying her duty very much on the general staff of the St. Louis' Children's Hospital. She is in a research ward there.

1933

Marjorie De Kleine Perkins of Moline, Illinois, visited friends at Presbyterian on April 25. She reports that her little son and daughter are both very well.

1934

Madelaine Vander Akker Cremer, her husband, Dr. Cremer, and their two small sons have returned from their mission work in Ethiopia, Africa, on a year's leave of absence. They are staying temporarily at 1147 Bates Street, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

1937

Laura Yendt, who was in charge of 4th Upper during Miss Hermann's absence, resigned in April, to begin her work with the Visiting Nurse Association here.

Dorothy M. Larson left Presbyterian in February to begin her duties as

teaching supervisor in obstetrics in Minneapolis.

Maxine McCormick has been taking a 3 months course in Public Health at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee, and plans to go to Texas at the conclusion of her course.

Sarah Child began her work as Industrial Nurse with the Rath Packing Plant in Waterloo, Iowa, on February 1.

1938

Marion M. Berg resigned from her duty at Presbyterian in April to begin her work as Industrial Nurse with the Crane Company, Chicago.

Mary Smith Sutley began her duties on May 1 as Superintendent of the local hospital in Burke, South Dakota.

Mary Pierce began her new duties as first hour nurse on Health Service in the School office in February.

MARRIAGES

Maude Bakke '30 to Dr. Frank Blatchford on April 20 in Highland Park, Illinois.

Helen Mahr '33 to Mr. L. Lee Rowan on March 5, in Chicago. At home, 1850 West Jackson Blvd. Mrs. Rowan will continue as Teaching Supervisor on 4th Floor.

Mary C. Truesdale '36 to Mr. Joseph O. Clutton on May 4, in La Grange, Indiana. At home, 208 S. Wolcott, Chicago.

Evelyn Woeckener '37 to Dr. John M. Hoffman on May 18 in Berwyn, Illinois.

BIRTHS

A daughter to Dr. and Mrs. Paul Brown (Raunie Seline '38) on January 10, in Honolulu, T. H.

Stuart Gray to Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Gordon (Lola Gray '31) on March 25, in Madison, Wisconsin.

Nancy to Dr. and Mrs. John Freeland (Ruby Robinson '29) on April 3, in Waukegan, Illinois.

Drina Cushman to Mr. and Mrs. Carey Hedgpath (Mary Jane Tucker '30) on April 7, in Lumberton, N. Carolina.

IN MEMORIAM

Marjorie Ibsen '26, Superintendent of the Highland Park Hospital, Highland Park, Illinois, has made a gift to the Helena McMillan Educational Fund in memory of Miss Dora Larson, deceased, formerly of Sac City, Iowa, with the following little note, which we think will be of interest to all who knew Miss Larson:

"In 1923 or 1924, Miss Dora Larson of Sac City, Iowa, enrolled in the School of Nursing of the Presbyterian Hospital. During her preliminary period, she was called home by the illness and subsequent death of her mother. She remained at home to care for her aged father. After her father's death, she began teaching again in the public school in her home town, always hoping to resume her nursing education. Soon after her father's death, an older brother and his wife passed away, leaving seven or eight children whom she took into her fold. She reared and educated them, sending them on to college, into nursing, teaching, or business, as they graduated, one by one, from high school.

Miss Larson continued her teaching career also. Last year she began failing in health, and after a lingering illness following a colostomy, she died on May 2, 1940.

May I ask you to add this small check to the Helena McMillan Educational Fund in memory of Dora Larson — a born teacher, nurse, and mother. Her interest in and loyalty to Presbyterian would put to shame some of us who had the advantage of three years contact with our fine institution. Her keen interest in education, particularly in Schools of Nursing, but more especially her great admiration for Miss McMillan, has prompted me to make this contribution to this particular Fund."

SYMPATHY

The sincere sympathy of the Alumnae Association is extended to:

Mary Holcomb '29, on the death of her father in Morrison, Illinois, in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Borchardt (Virginia Shepard '28) on the death of their three year old son, Thomas, on March 29, at Presbyterian.

Eugenia Hafner Gray '25, on the death of her husband, Mr. Thornton Gray, on May 17.

To the family of Bessie Ruwitch '09, who passed away at her home in Norway, Michigan, in March, after a long illness.

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An October Message from Our President

Once more we are approaching the month of October when renewed zeal in organization work should follow closely upon the heels of summer vacations. It is time that we all bestir ourselves in the cultivation of a fresh supply of interest in our Alumnae Association and its many worthwhile activities. Not the least of these is the continuous solicitation of membership subscriptions among those of our graduates who have not recognized the advantages and satisfactions to be derived from active participation in their Alumnae Association.

Carlyle said "Our grand business is not to see what lies dimly in the distance but to do what lies clearly at hand." The need for increased membership "lies clearly at hand." Our graduates benefit from their membership in direct ratio to the extent of their participation in its many worthwhile projects. Hence not only membership fees but also the active interest and initiative of individual members are vital to the productive existence and growth of our organization. We reap what we sow; let us sow seeds of confidence in and enthusiasm for our Alumnae Association and its Alma Mater!

"You cannot have two better friends than the twin brothers, Push and Pull." Let us court their friendship and make our goal 800 members for 1941! All new memberships beginning October 1st will include membership for the remainder of 1940 AND for 1941.

ALUMNAE NEWS

At the Alumnae Meeting held on September 3rd, it was decided to accept the following plan submitted by the Committee on Arrangements regarding Alumnae Room in the Nurses' Home:

That the Alumnae Association give a sum ranging from $200 to $300 toward the refurnishing of the room without specifying its use, further than the repair and refinishing of the desk.

This will be a gift entailing no responsibility upon either the Hospital Management or the Alumnae Association.

It was suggested that restrictions on the use of the room remain with Miss Rogers. This plan is approved by Mr. Bacon and allows the budgeting of the sum as convenient to the Association.

The new permanent file is installed in the Alumnae Room now.

It was also voted that a committee be appointed by the Chair to work with the Custodians of the Fund and Representatives of the Woman's Board in further investigation of various arrangements between other Hospital Managements and their Nursing School Alumnae for the care of sick members, with a view to a better adjustment between the INCOME from the Mary Byrne Fund and the COST of the present allowance of care for each member per year. This Committee report will be announced in our next News Letter.

At its August meeting our Alumnae Association Board of Directors regretfully accepted the resignation of Mrs. Julia Neville Raymon, who for the past several years has very ably served this organization as Chairman of its Press and Publicity Committee and Editor of its News Letter.

Mrs. Raymon, who has gone to Kentucky to join her husband in establishing a home there, takes with her the cordial good wishes of this Association and its members.

Clarisse Galloway, 1921, was appointed to succeed Mrs. Raymon. Will each of

you please keep her and the News Letter in mind and pass on to them all items of interest to Alumnae Members. Let us share interesting bits of news with our sister Alumnae to make this a Round Robin Letter in its true sense!

On June 4th, a day all blue and gold, a goodly number of "us" drove out to Arden Shore Camp on Lake Michigan for a delicious picnic supper. An inspired social committee was in charge of all arrangements. At a short business session around the Pow-Wow camp fire the treasurer was instructed to surrender a called bond and to reinvest the amount received as instructed by the Financial Committee. Following this Alma Mae Stewart introduced our hostess, Miss Farrier, Camp Superintendent, who presented an enthusiastic and interesting account of the Camp's Career. We hope to be invited again and to swell the throng of "us."

Homecoming plans are being made and we can assure you an interesting time and Many Pleasant Surprises! Do come to see your friends and tell us the news. The date is the same, of course, November 11th. The Tea at the Home will be followed by the Dinner Dance which was so popular last year. It will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the LaSalle Hotel. Very exciting ideas are being hatched for the occasion!

The Open Meeting for the graduating class will be held at 7:30 P.M. on October 1st in the Roofgarden at the Home.

This year the Annual Luncheon for the Graduating Class will be given on October 7th in the Red Room of the LaSalle Hotel. Our Honor Guests will be with us as usual. Special entertainment will be furnished by Edna Odell, accompanied by Carl Gronemeyer at the piano, both of the WGN Studio. Come and renew your class and Nursing School friendships. Please make your reservations early!

ALUMNAE ACTIVITIES

Charlotte F. Landt, 1911, B.S., Teachers College, Columbia University, became the Executive Secretary of the Illinois State Nurses Association on July 15th. Miss Landt has been night Superintendent at Presbyterian; Director of the School at Lutheran Memorial Hospital in Chicago; Assistant Director of the School and Assistant Superintendent of Nurses at the University of Colorado Hospitals in Denver; Superintendent of Sherman Hospital at Elgin, Ill., and of the Natrona Memorial Hospital at Casper, Wyo., and, until recently, Assistant Director in charge of Nursing Service at night at the Cook County School in Chicago.

We have cause to be very proud of our President and our very best wishes are hers for continued success in her new work.

Dolly Twitchel, 1912, spent her second summer as Camp Nurse with the Chicago Commons Farm Camp at New Buffalo, Michigan.

Shirley Andrews, 1920, is undergoing pneumo-thorax treatments at the Lennox Hill Hospital at 77th and Park Ave., New York City, and would appreciate letters from her friends.

Irene Eby, 1926, is studying Public Health at Western Reserve University this year as one of a group to receive Federal Scholarships.

Hertha Larson, 1927, was recently appointed a Supervisor in the V. N. A. of Brooklyn, N. Y.

A reunion of the class of 1927 was held to honor Grace Bonart, P. H. Nurse for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, and for Mary Harju, Superintendent of Nurses at the Edgecliff Sanitarium, both of whom are located in Spokane, Washington. Miss Bonart and Miss Harju were enroute from a visit to Miss Bonart's relatives in West Virginia. Attending were Dorothy Scoville, Mary Jane Cruikshank, Elizabeth Greer Helmold, Beatrice Kerr Tykeson, Florence Cooper, Florence McConnell, Anita Foss, and Mary Meith. Miss Bonart has since married and lives in Kimberly Falls, British Columbia, Can.

Alice Spellman, 1928, Supervisor of Communicable Diseases at Albany Hospital, has been appointed Organizer of Reserve Medical Unit No. 33.

Beulah Dalton, 1928, resigned as Science Instructor at Christ Hospital, Cincinnati, to accept a position on August 15 as Educational Director at the Presbyterian Hospital Training School in Philadelphia, Pa.

Margaret Morgan, 1929, has accepted the position of Instructor in the Columbus Hospital, in Seattle, Wash.

Word has been received from Esther Salzman, 1933, that she will be located in Pekin attending the College of Chinese Studies until May 1st, 1941. Miss Salzman writes that she is enjoying her work immensely.

Julia Neville Raymon, 1933, has accepted a position in the Sampson Community Hospital of Glasgow, Ky.

Mary M. Kusel, 1936, resigned from our staff to accept a position in St. Vincent's Hospital in Portland, Oregon, on September 6.

Maxine McCormick, 1938, has accepted a position with the Texas State Department of Health, and is located at Newcomb, Texas. She is working in the County Nursing Service at present.

CALLERS

Margaret Donaldson Beach, 1920, of Indianapolis, who has just secured her degree in Public Health Nursing from the University of Indiana.

Carol Brewster Lee, 1929, of Sipe Springs, Texas, box 201, who is still actively interested in nursing.

Lois Mueller, 1925.

Fenna Van Vessen Ten Have, 1922, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, whose small son was a patient at Presbyterian.

Helen Jacobson Anderson, 1921, of Galesburg, Illinois.

Sylvia Thompson, 1937.

MARRIAGES

Juanita Austin, 1928, to Mr. Philip Bartholomee, on February 10.

Mildred Kisling, 1930, to Mr. Allen Cook, in July. Mr. and Mrs. Cook will live at 2011 Lani Huli Drive, Honolulu, H. I.

Faith Johnson, 1932, to Mr. Charles M. Bradeck, on October 10, 1939, in Angola, Indiana. At home at 62 W. Palmer, Detroit, Mich.

Jeannette Hubbard, 1933, to Mr. John Joseph Corbett.

Kathryn Froscher, 1935, to Lt. Charles Arthur Stafford on August 10, at Little Falls, Minn.

Sylvia Thompson, 1937, to Dr. Horace D. McGee on August 24.

Augusta Heneveld, 1937, to Mr. Robert Spencer on August 3. Mrs. Spencer is engaged in private duty nursing in Chicago.

Anna Husiak, 1938, to Rev. Arthur N. Bily, on May 4. Rev. and Mrs. Bily are living near Macomb, Illinois, R. R. No. 3, where he is pastor of the Presbyterian Church. They will be glad to receive callers.

Norene Kruger, 1938, to Mr. Fred Field in a church wedding on August 18. Mrs. Field is on our General Duty staff.

Lois Melges, 1939, to Mr. Kenneth D. Roubie. Mrs. Roubie is engaged in private duty nursing in Chicago.

Charlotte Warren, 1939, to Dr. Martin E. Jansen on August 10. Dr. and Mrs. Jansen are at home at 149 W. Summit Ave., St. Paul, Minn.

Lois Brown, 1940, to Mr. Arnold M. Thompson on June 20, in Moorhead, Minn.

Harriet Van Buskirk, 1940, to Mr. R. C. Palmer on July 4.

Ruth M. Ketchie, 1940, to Dr. John Post on September 11.

Marie Kolbus, 1938, to Dr. William E. Steiner on September 18. At home in Savanna, Ill.

Alice Roller, 1930, to Dr. Harry Sills of Toronto, Canada, on June 17. At home in Detroit, Mich.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Swanson (Elizabeth Christenson) a daughter, Ann Marie, on May 26 at Virginia, Minn.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Wagner (Mary E. Gobrecht, 1930) of Crown Point, Ind., a daughter on July 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Madison Kuhn (Ruth Tombaugh, 1933) of East Lansing, Mich., a daughter, Rosemary, on July 17.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Burtt (Helen Thayer, 1934) of Crystal Lake, Ill., a daughter, Harriet Jerome, on June 22. The young lady was named for Mr. Burtt's mother who died in China.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ira M. Haynes (Delphia Shaw, 1939) of Marion, Ind., a daughter, Bonnie Jean, on June 26.

To Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Roesch (Lucy De Young, 1937) of Huron, So. Dak., twins, a son and a daughter, on July 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Weinfuerter (Dorothy Melson, 1931) a daughter, in September at Sherry, Wis. This young lady has a sister and two brothers.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Kemmerer (Jean Brandt, 1935) a daughter, Linda Jean, on August 30. The young lady has two brothers.

SCHOOL NEWS

The School will welcome forty new students on the first of October. Time has marched on and progress is recorded in some changes in the curriculum. New courses have been added, including Laboratory Diagnosis and Senior Conferences, and the school year will be divided into 4 quarters of 3 months each, with clinical experience conforming to academic work as nearly as possible.

A class of eighteen will be graduated on the afternoon of October 8th at 3:00 o'clock. Dr. Emory Luccock of the First Presbyterian Church of Evanston will be the Commencement Speaker. It is hoped that the "new" Assembly Room will be available for the Commencement exercises.

Baccalaureate services will be held at the Third Presbyterian Church at eight o'clock on Sunday, the 6th of October. Dr. Hickman will deliver the sermon.

Miss Selma Moody, graduate of Beth-El General Hospital, Colorado Springs; Western State College, Gunnison, Colorado; and recently of the Department of Nursing Education at the University of Chicago, is the new Nursing Arts Instructor. Miss Moody assumed her new position in September.

Mrs. Madelon Reeves, 1939; Indiana University A.B.; Nursing Education, University of Chicago; has accepted the position of assistant Nursing Arts Instructor, and will begin her work this Fall.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Helen Currier, 1938; Tarkio College, Missouri; is the new Teaching Supervisor of Medical Nursing.

Grace Cooper, 1939; Calvin College, A.B., began her duties as head nurse on B Upper, September 1st.

Elinor De Vore, Jewish Hospital, St. Louis, has accepted a position as head nurse on B Lower.

Ruth Stauffer, 1939, is head nurse on 3rd Upper filling the vacancy left by Miss Gertrude Fager, 1925, who has gone to California.

Gertrude Vreeland, 1938, is now a head nurse in the O. R.

Florence Johnson Moore, 1935, resigned from her position in the O. R. to go to Grand Rapids, Michigan, where Dr. Moore will locate.

Mary Elizabeth Simons, 1936, has accepted a position in C. F. Dispensary which was vacated September 1st by Marcella Hunt Kurtz, 1927. Mrs. Kurtz is now engaged in private duty in Chicago.

Margaret Learned Ford, 1928, who has been the Luella Pearson Malloy endowed nurse since 1933, resigned on September 1st. The position was filled by Margaret Burke, 1938.

Georgia Sturm, St. Mary's, Madison and P. G. from Marquette, Milwaukee; Ann Hodel, St. Francis, Peoria, and P. G. from Barnes, St. Louis; Mary Coyle, St. Joseph's, Bloomington, and P. G. from St. Anthony's, Rockford; and Evelyn Windham, Florida State, and P.G. from City Hospital, St. Louis; were all added to our Operating Room staff recently.

Army Reserve Medical Unit No. 13 was reorganized this summer with Dr. Edwin Miller as Chief Surgeon and Dr. L. C. Gatewood as Chief Medical Officer. Many graduate nurses placed themselves on record as available for active duty when and if necessary. 120 nurses will be needed to complete the unit.

SYMPATHY

The sincere sympathy of the Alumnae Association is extended to:

Edna Burgess, 1914, and Dorothy Burgess, 1921, on the death of their father in July, following a long illness.

Dorothy Baker Giles, 1920, of Kansas City, Kansas, on the recent death of her husband, Dean Roger Giles.

The family of Lois Ward Hirsch, 1924, who died June 15th of an embolism following surgery. Mrs. Hirsch had been employed in the Home for Incurables on the South Side until her illness.

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Does anyone notice anything different about this Letter? Will you please tell us what you think of it and offer us any other suggestions you may have?